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1. On 28 February and 1 March 1951, one Mig-15 plane was parked in front of a hangar of the Wittstock (N 54/U 11) airfield. There was no flying because of bad weather. Trucks occupied by 10 construction laborers, and were seen on the road leading to the airfield. 25X1C
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2. A radar set and two temporary buildings next to it were in the north-western corner of the area where the airfield buildings are located. Another radar set was seen on a plateau south of two brick buildings along the road to the field. There was only one temporary building beside this set. (1)
3. Between 20 and 24 February, a new radar set was seen 300 meters south of the MVD building at the airfield. The set was of the same type as the one seen 100 meters west of the garages. (1) No cables were observed to lead to the set. Neither set was in operation. Five thin rubber cables led from the radar set west of the garages to the runway. On 24 February radio truck was at the parking lot near the garages. A rod about 50 cm high was fitted on either side of the leading edge of the roof. A wire was strung between the two rods. From this wire another one led into the radio truck through the door on the right side. 25X1C
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4. On 26 February, 10 jet fighters, five of which were covered with tarpaulins, were parked in front of the hangars on the western edge of the runway. 25X1
5. Several soldiers of the new unit at the field were in the hospital. They were observed. (3) The soldiers were billeted in the buildings of the former training company, including the two gutted blocks where the roofs were being repaired. According to their own statements the soldiers came from Rochlin-Laerz (N 54/U 33). (4) About 150 soldiers were quartered in the temporary buildings formerly occupied by the driving school. These soldiers also said that they had come from Laerz. They received their meals from a new kitchen. 25X1C
6. On 28 February, there was flying with the jet fighters throughout the day. The weather was clear. The planes took off from west to east, at intervals of about 20 minutes.

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7. From the noise of engines heard at 8 p.m. on 1 March, about three or four multi-engine aircraft landed at the field. The planes used their navigation lights. They took off again at

[redacted]

8. Jeeps [redacted] and trucks [redacted] were seen near the garages at the field.

9. Patients in the hospital at the field until 5 March included members of units [redacted], assigned to the Wittstock hospital; [redacted] assigned to the Wittstock headquarters; [redacted] and [redacted] which belonged to an officer who wore golden epaulets. (5)

10. A soldier who was assigned to the driving school and had been quartered in one of the temporary buildings had to remain in the hospital after the transfer of the driving school because he was too ill to be transported.

[redacted]

11. Three officers of the new troops at the field wore new uniforms which consisted of olive drab shirts with turn-down collars, black ties, coats with lapels, trousers, and belts with pistols worn under the coat.

12. On 14 March, three single-engine low-wing aircraft with in-line engines, and six MIG-15s were seen at the airfield. There was continual flying with two jet fighters between 10:30 a.m. and 5 p.m., in good weather. A radar set with ears was seen both north and south of the road leading to the airfield buildings. The sets were in continual operation during flying.

13. About 30 air force EM, 35 officers and 8 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets and signal insignia were observed on the road leading to the field. Trucks [redacted] passenger car [redacted] and jeep [redacted] were also seen there.

14. The Red Mill radio installation was removed from its former location to a plateau about 800 to 900 meters farther to the north. The installation was recognized by its construction, by the four masts, and by the two wooden huts, one green and the other white. (7)

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[redacted] Comments.

- (1) [redacted] two Dumbo radar sets at the same locations. The southernmost set was temporarily removed in late January 1951, but it was again seen at its previous location on 2 February 1951. The sets probably belong to the fighter corps headquarters. For location of radar sets, see Annex.

- (2) The recent occupation of the airfield by one fighter regiment was [redacted] indicate that the fighter regiment was probably transferred from Peene-muende to Wittstock.

(3)

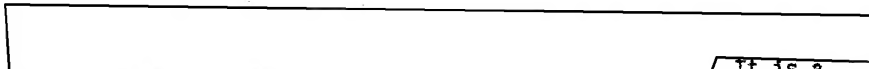
[redacted] No observations were made indicating that transfers were made from Neuruppin or Neubrandenburg to

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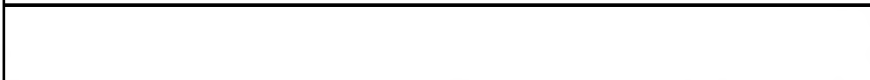
- It is a well known fact that members of all the units of the Northern Ftr Corps are being treated in the hospital in Wittstock.
- (4) The information that units from Laerz have been transferred to Wittstock has recently been received frequently. A fighter regiment was probably not transferred from Laerz to Wittstock, but it is believed that ground units were transferred from Laerz to Wittstock at the same time the fighter regiment from Peenemuende was transferred to Wittstock.

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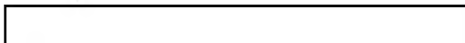
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- (7) Previous observations indicate that the radio installation belongs to an army unit.



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